



PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

No.PA/Khyber Pakhtunkhwa/Legis-I(R)/2024/13167
Dated Peshawar, the 28 / 10/2024.

MOST IMMEDIATE
ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

To,

The Secretary to Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa,
Inter Provincial Coordination Department.

Subject: - **JOINT RESOLUTION No. 102 ADOPTED BY THE PROVINCIAL**
ASSEMBLY OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to say that the Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in its sitting held on **22-10-2024** passed unanimously the following Joint Resolution No.102 moved by Arbab Muhammad Usman, MPA, Mr. Ahmad Kundi, MPA, Arbab Muhammad Waseem, MPA, Mr. Zahir Khan, MPA, Malik Tariq Awan, MPA, Mr. Muhammad Nisar, MPA, and Ms. Sobia Shahid, MPA:-

The significant economic impact of Pakistan-Afghanistan trade for both nations cannot be ignored, with current disruptions causing losses estimated in the billions of rupees daily. It is essential to optimize the trade system through Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, the primary gateway for cross-border commerce. Enhancing transparency, reducing revenue losses, and boosting economic activity will benefit the public, government, and businesses.

This optimized system should include modernized customs, digitized documentation, and real-time digital monitoring to address inefficiencies such as smuggling and under-invoicing. Resuming and streamlining trade will create jobs, reduce poverty, and improve tax revenues, allowing KP's provincial government to invest in infrastructure and public services.

This will also reduce KP's dependency on federal funds, foster investment, and promote economic growth by expanding access to Afghan and Central Asian markets. Strong transparency measures, including automated customs processes and digital tracking, are critical for ensuring accurate tax collection, preventing revenue leakages, and building business confidence.

This House resolves that the Government of Pakistan, in collaboration with the provincial government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Afghan authorities, shall take necessary steps to restore and optimize Pakistan-Afghanistan trade.

You are, therefore requested that action taken on the resolution may be intimated to this Secretariat within a period of two months from the date of its communication under sub-rule (3) of Rule 135 of the Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules, 1988.

Yours faithfully,

(SARMAD ULLAH KHAN AFRIDI)

Assistant Secretary,
Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa